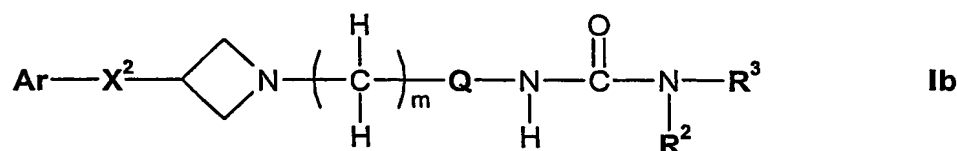
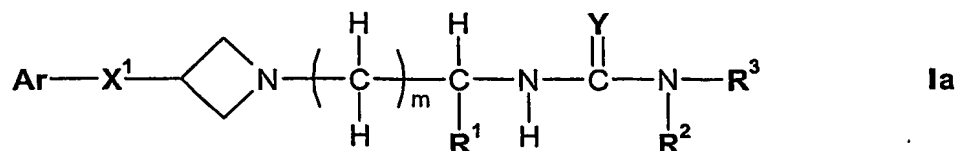


CLAIMS

1. A compound of formula Ia or Ib



in free or salt form, where

Ar is phenyl optionally substituted by one or more substituents selected from halogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>-alkyl, cyano or nitro;

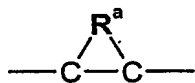
X<sup>1</sup> is -S-, -S(=O)- or -S(=O)<sub>2</sub>-;

X<sup>2</sup> is -C(=O)-, -O-, -CH<sub>2</sub>-, -S-, -S(=O)- or -S(=O)<sub>2</sub>-;

m is 1, 2, 3 or 4;

R<sup>1</sup> is hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>-alkyl optionally substituted by hydroxy, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>-alkoxy, acyloxy, halogen, carboxy, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>-alkoxycarbonyl, -N(R<sup>4</sup>)R<sup>5</sup>, -CON(R<sup>6</sup>)R<sup>7</sup> or by a monovalent cyclic organic group having 3 to 15 atoms in the ring system;

Q has the formula



where R<sup>a</sup> is C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>-alkylene,

or Q is -C(R<sup>b</sup>)(R<sup>c</sup>)- where R<sup>b</sup> and R<sup>c</sup> are independently C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>-alkyl

or R<sup>b</sup> and R<sup>c</sup> together form a C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>10</sub>-cycloalkyl;

Y is oxygen or sulfur;

R<sup>2</sup> is hydrogen, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>-alkyl or C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>10</sub>-cycloalkyl and R<sup>3</sup> is C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>-alkyl substituted by phenyl, phenoxy, acyloxy or naphthyl, or R<sup>3</sup> is C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>10</sub>-cycloalkyl optionally having a benzo group fused thereto, a heterocyclic group having 5 to 11 ring atoms of which 1 to 4 are hetero atoms, phenyl or naphthyl, said phenyl, phenoxy or naphthyl groups being optionally substituted by one or more substituents selected from halogen, cyano, hydroxy, acyl, nitro, -SO<sub>2</sub>NH<sub>2</sub>, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>-alkyl optionally substituted by C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>-alkoxy, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>-haloalkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>-alkoxy, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>-haloalkoxy, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>-alkylthio, -SO<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>-alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>-alkoxycarbonyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>-acylamino optionally substituted on the nitrogen atom by C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>-alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>-alkylamino, aminocarbonyl,

C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>-alkylamino-carbonyl, di(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>-alkyl)amino, di(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>-alkyl)aminocarbonyl, di(C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>-alkyl)aminocarbonyl-methoxy,

or R<sup>2</sup> and R<sup>3</sup> together with the nitrogen atom to which they are attached denote a heterocyclic group having 5 to 10 ring atoms of which 1, 2 or 3 are hetero atoms;

R<sup>4</sup> and R<sup>5</sup> are each independently hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>-alkyl, or R<sup>4</sup> is hydrogen and R<sup>5</sup> is hydroxy-C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>-alkyl, acyl, -SO<sub>2</sub>R<sup>8</sup> or -CON(R<sup>6</sup>)R<sup>7</sup>, or R<sup>4</sup> and R<sup>5</sup> together with the nitrogen atom to which they are attached denote a 5- or 6-membered heterocyclic group;

R<sup>6</sup> and R<sup>7</sup> are each independently hydrogen or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>-alkyl, or R<sup>6</sup> and R<sup>7</sup> together with the nitrogen atom to which they are attached denote a 5- or 6-membered heterocyclic group; and R<sup>8</sup> is C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>-alkyl, C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>-haloalkyl, or phenyl optionally substituted by C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>-alkyl.

2. A compound according to claim 1, which is

(i) a compound of formula Ia in free or salt form, wherein

Ar is phenyl substituted by halo;

X<sup>1</sup> is -S-, -S(=O)- or -S(=O)<sub>2</sub>-;

m is 2;

R<sup>1</sup> is C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>-alkyl optionally substituted by hydroxy or C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>-alkoxy;

Y is oxygen;

R<sup>2</sup> is hydrogen; and

R<sup>3</sup> is a heterocyclic group having 5 to 11 ring atoms of which 1 to 4 are hetero atoms;  
or

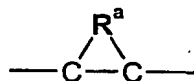
(ii) a compound of formula Ib in free or salt form, wherein

Ar is phenyl substituted by halo;

X<sup>2</sup> is -O-, -C(=O)- or -CH<sub>2</sub>-;

m is 1 or 2;

Q has the formula



where R<sup>a</sup> is C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>-alkylene,

or Q is -C(R<sup>b</sup>)(R<sup>c</sup>)- where R<sup>b</sup> and R<sup>c</sup> are independently C<sub>1</sub>-C<sub>8</sub>-alkyl

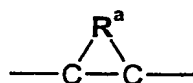
or R<sup>b</sup> and R<sup>c</sup> together form a C<sub>3</sub>-C<sub>10</sub>-cycloalkyl;

R<sup>2</sup> is hydrogen; and

R<sup>3</sup> is a heterocyclic group having 5 to 11 ring atoms of which 1 to 4 are hetero atoms.

3. A compound according to claim 1, which is

- (i) a compound of formula Ia in free or salt form, wherein  
 Ar is phenyl substituted by halo, preferably chloro;  
 $X^1$  is  $-S-$ ,  $-S(=O)-$  or  $-S(=O)_2-$ ;  
 $m$  is 2;  
 $R^1$  is  $C_1$ - $C_4$ -alkyl optionally substituted by hydroxy or  $C_1$ - $C_4$ -alkoxy;  
 $Y$  is oxygen;  
 $R^2$  is hydrogen; and  
 $R^3$  is a heterocyclic group having 5, 6 or 7 ring atoms of which one, two, three or four, are hetero atoms selected from nitrogen, oxygen and sulphur, said heterocyclic group being optionally substituted by  $C_1$ - $C_4$ -alkyl,  $C_1$ - $C_4$ -alkoxy or  $C_3$ - $C_6$ -cycloalkyl; or
- (ii) a compound of formula Ib in free or salt form, wherein  
 Ar is phenyl substituted by halo, preferably chloro;  
 $X^2$  is  $-O-$ ,  $-C(=O)-$  or  $-CH_2-$ ;  
 $m$  is 1 or 2;  
 $Q$  has the formula



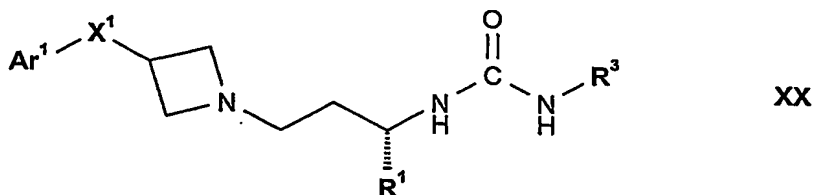
where  $R^a$  is  $C_1$ - $C_8$ -alkylene,

or  $Q$  is  $-C(R^b)(R^c)-$  where  $R^b$  and  $R^c$  are independently  $C_1$ - $C_4$ -alkyl or  $R^b$  and  $R^c$  together form a  $C_3$ - $C_6$ -cycloalkyl;

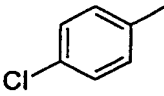


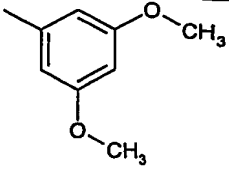
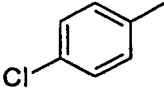


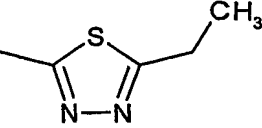
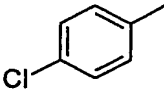


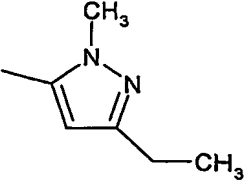
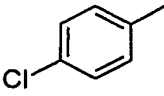


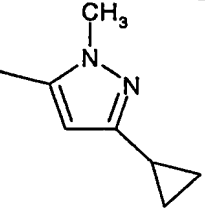
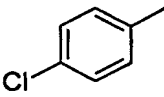


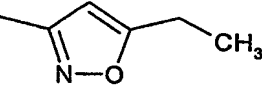
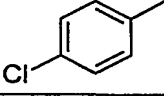


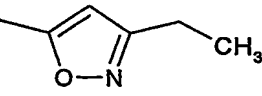
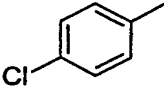

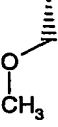
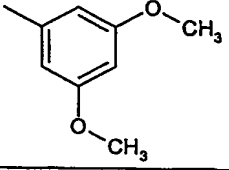
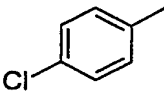


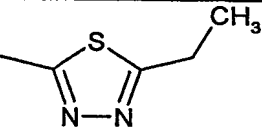
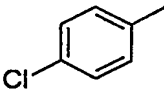

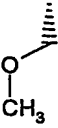
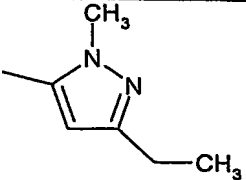
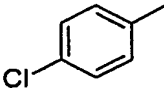

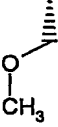
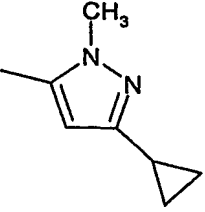
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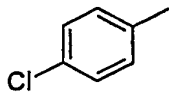
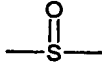
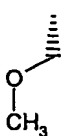
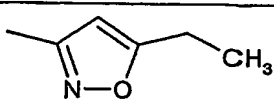
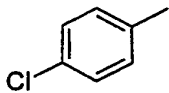
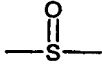
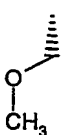
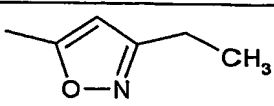
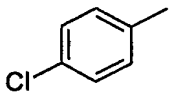
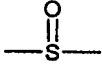

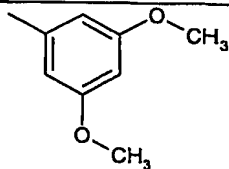
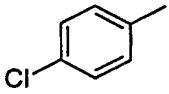
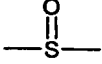

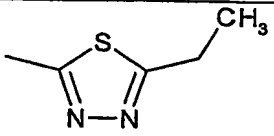
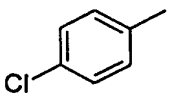
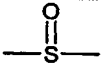

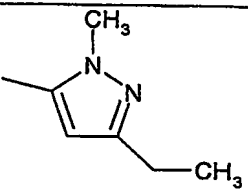
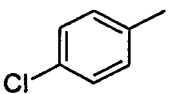
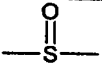

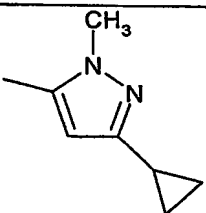
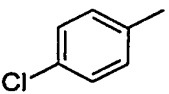
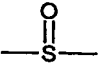

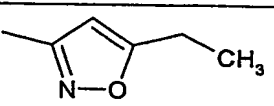
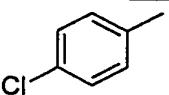
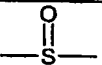

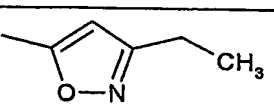
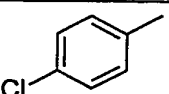
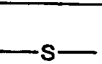
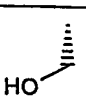
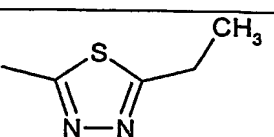
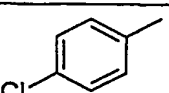
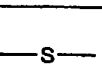
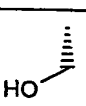
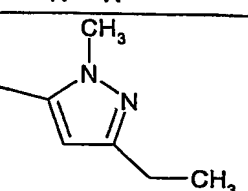
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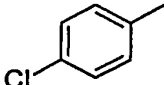


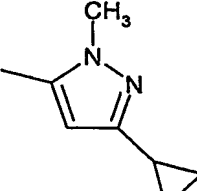
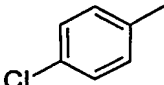


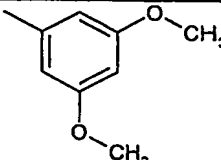
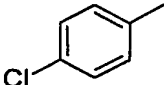


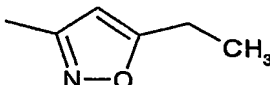
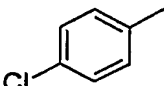


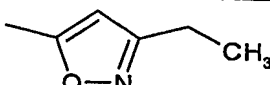
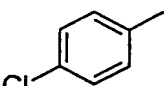
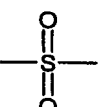

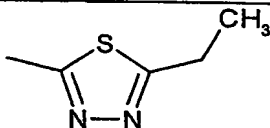
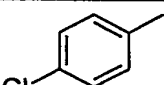
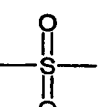

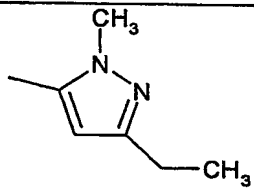
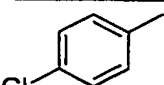
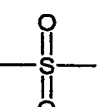

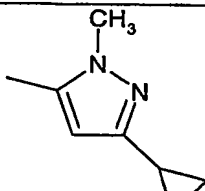
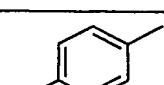
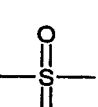

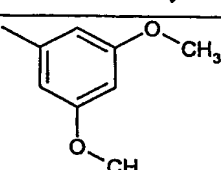
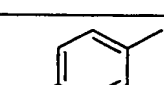
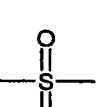

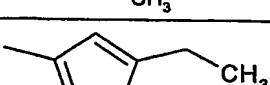
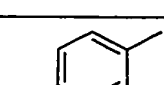
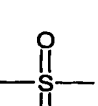

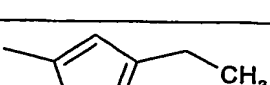
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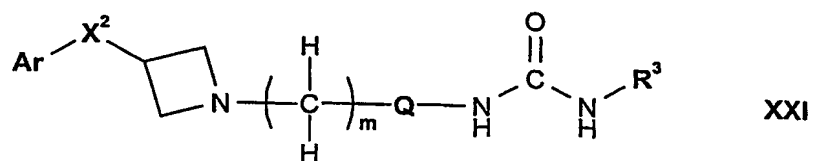
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Ar	X	R <sup>1</sup>	R <sup>3</sup>
			
			
			
			
			
			
			
			
			
			

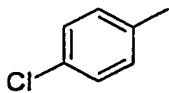
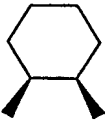
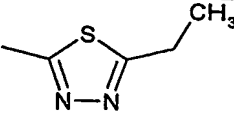
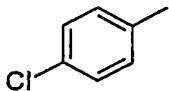
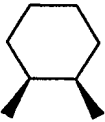
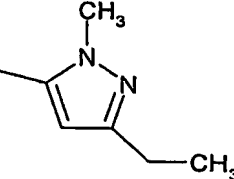
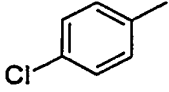
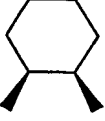
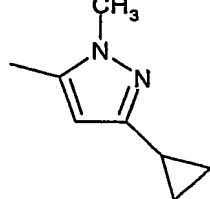
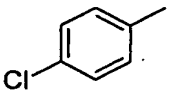
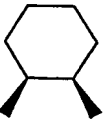
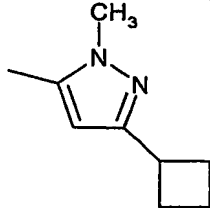
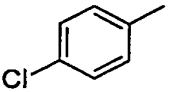
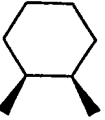
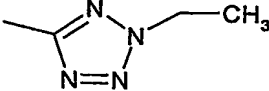
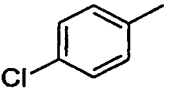
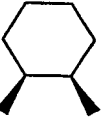
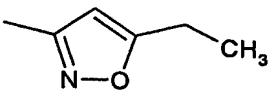
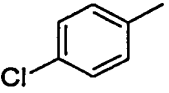
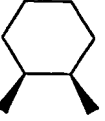
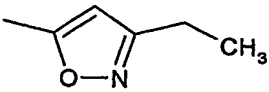
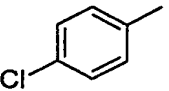

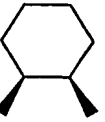
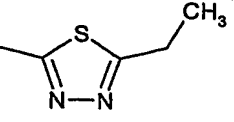
			
			
			
			
			
			
			
			
			
			

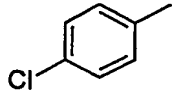


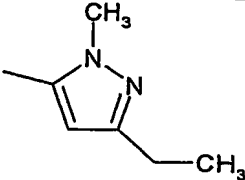
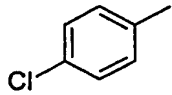

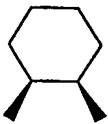
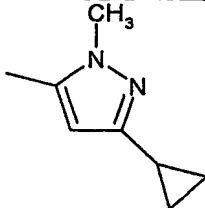
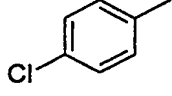

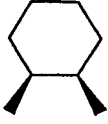
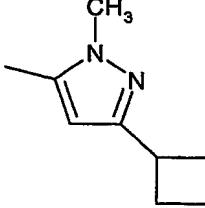
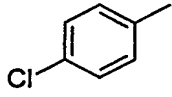

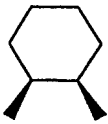
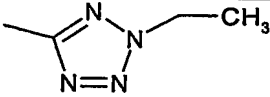
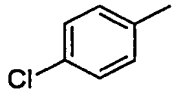


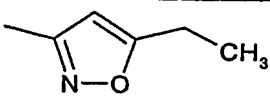
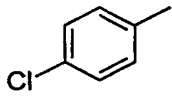


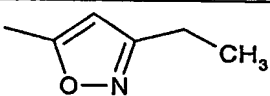
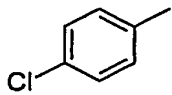


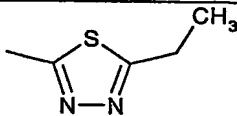
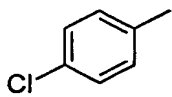


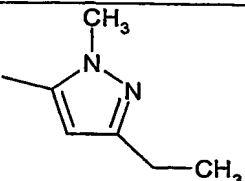
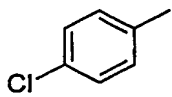


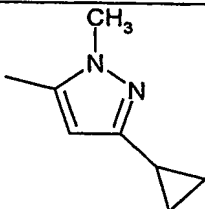
			
			
			
			
			
			
			
			
			
			

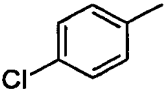

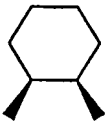
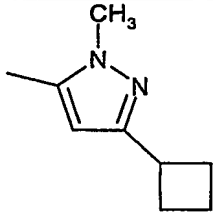
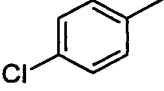

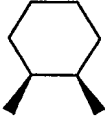
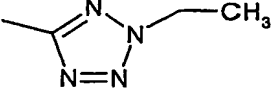
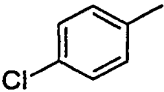

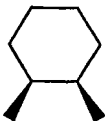
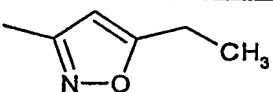
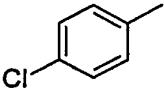

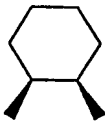
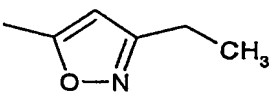
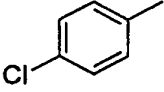

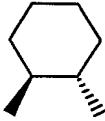
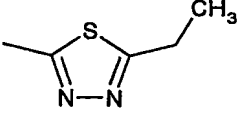
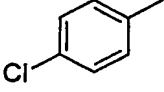

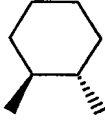
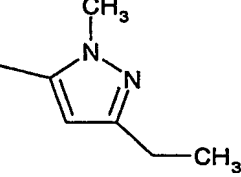
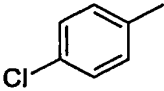

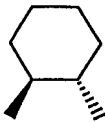
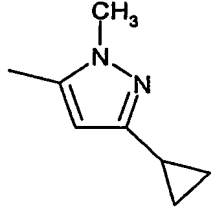
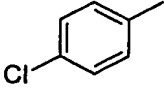

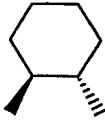
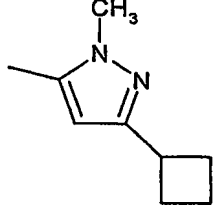
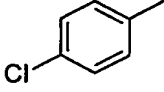

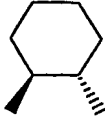
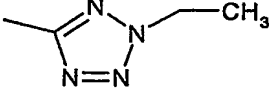
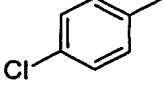

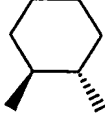
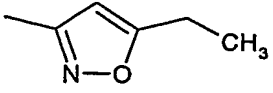
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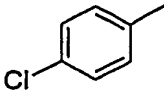


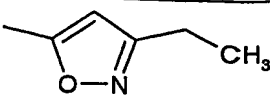
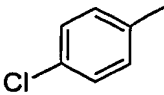


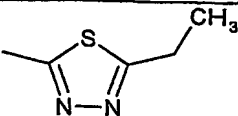
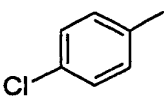

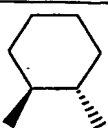
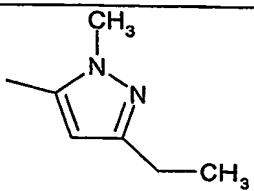
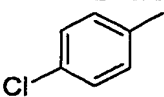

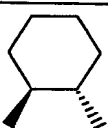
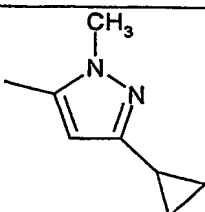
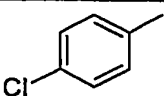


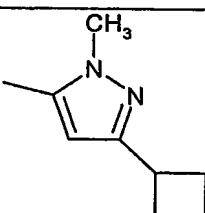
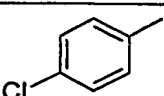

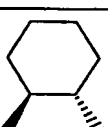
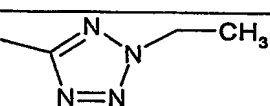
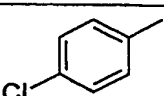

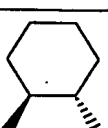
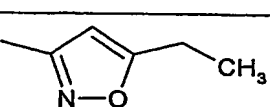
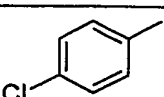

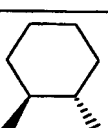
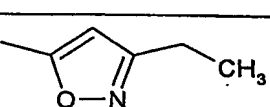
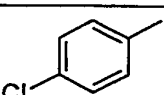
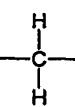
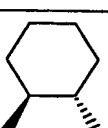
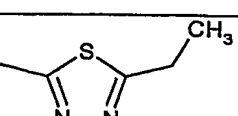
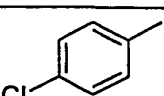
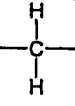
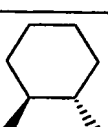
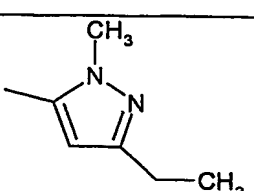


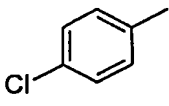
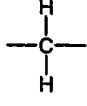

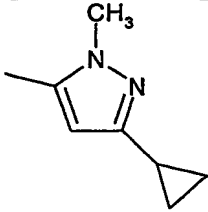
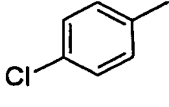
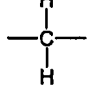
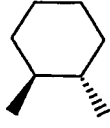
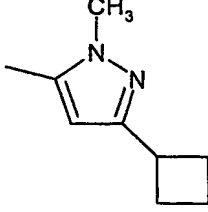
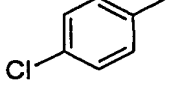
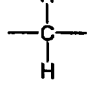
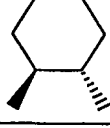
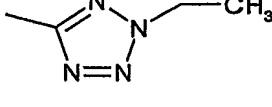
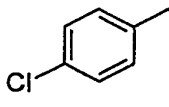
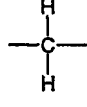

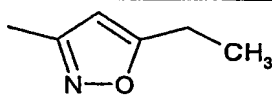
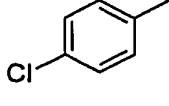
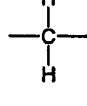
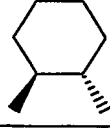
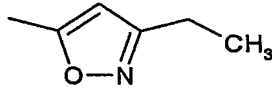
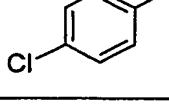


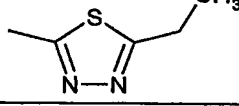
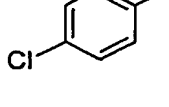


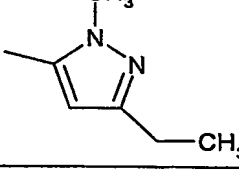
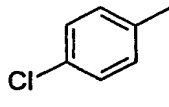


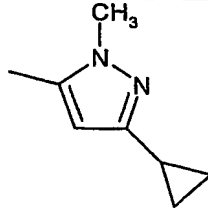
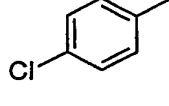


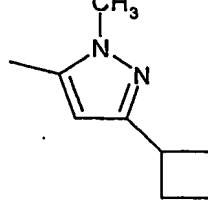
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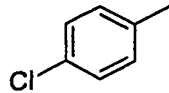

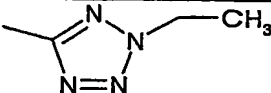
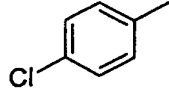

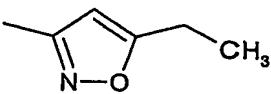
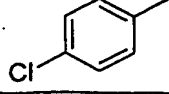

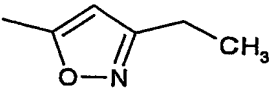
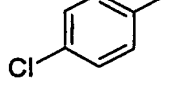


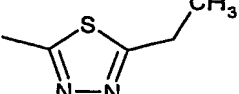
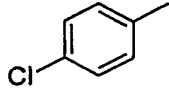


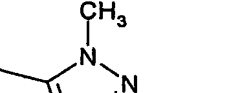
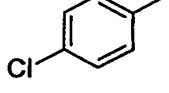


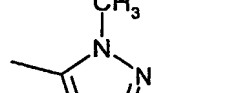
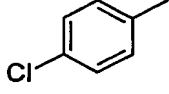


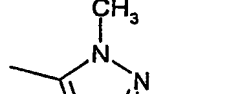
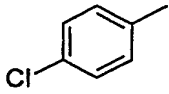


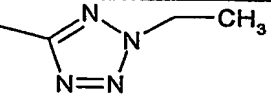
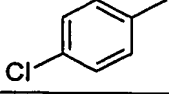


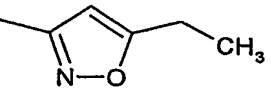
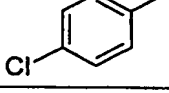


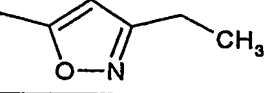
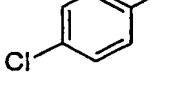


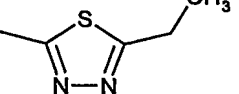
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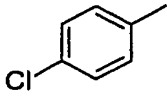
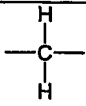

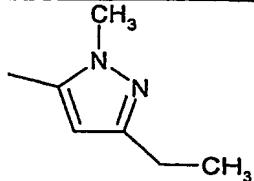
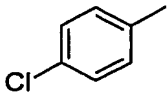
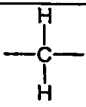

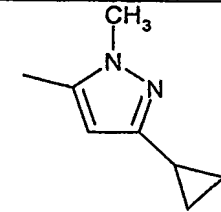
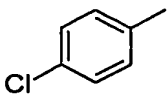
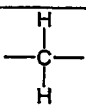

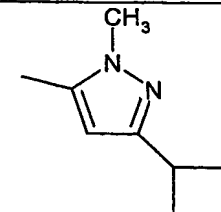
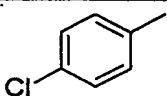
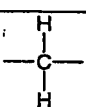

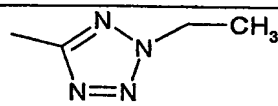
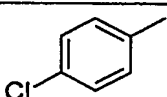
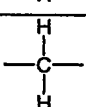

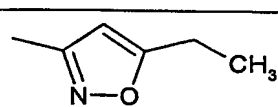
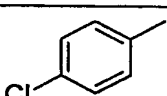
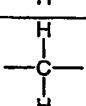
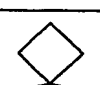
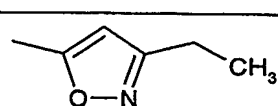
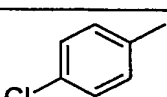

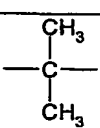
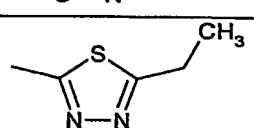
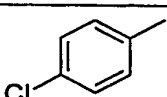

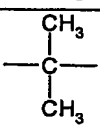
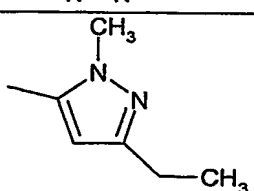
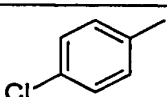

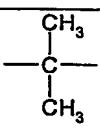
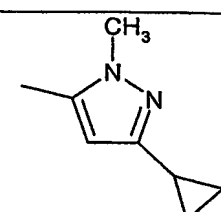
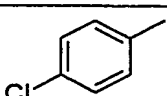

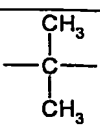
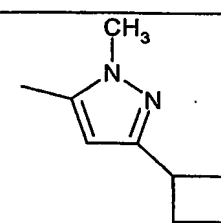
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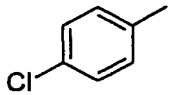
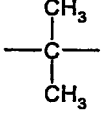
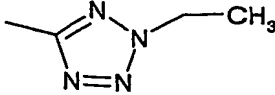
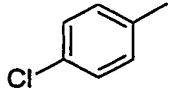
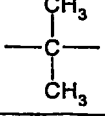
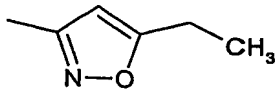
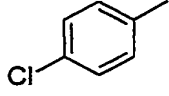
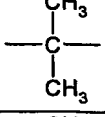
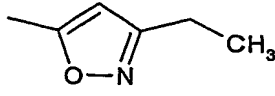
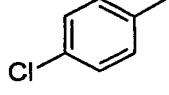

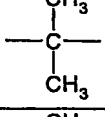
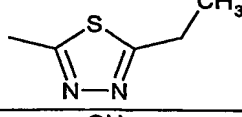
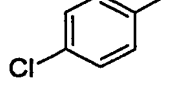

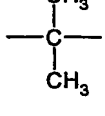
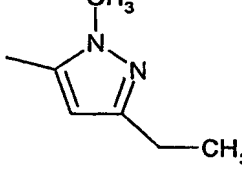
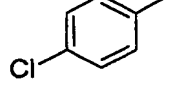

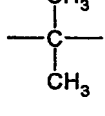
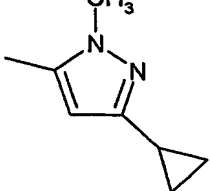
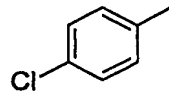

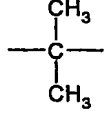
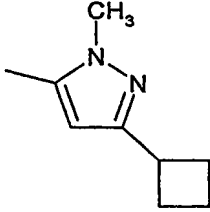
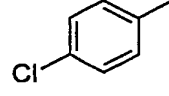

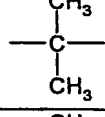
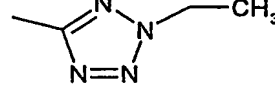
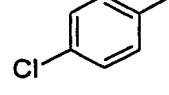

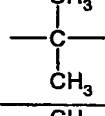
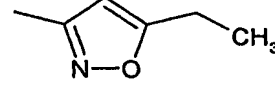
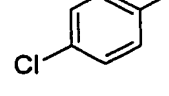

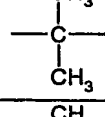
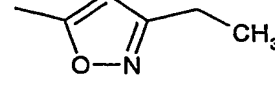
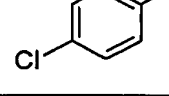

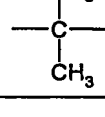
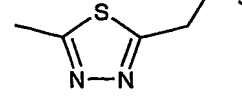
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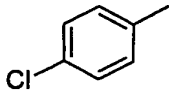

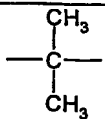
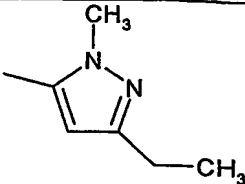
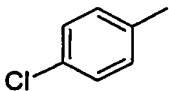

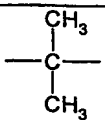
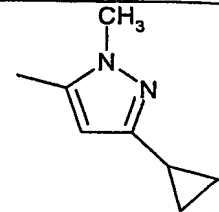
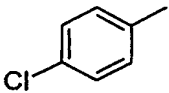

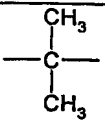
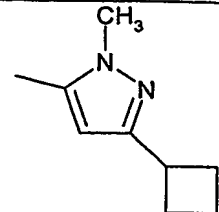
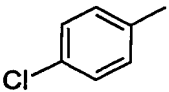

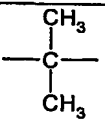
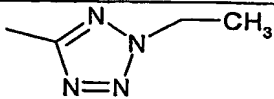
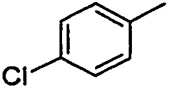

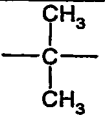
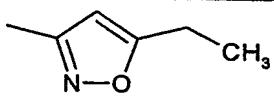
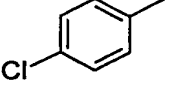

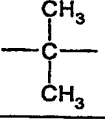
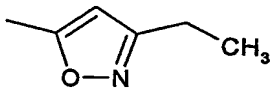
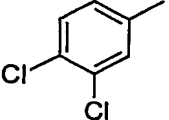

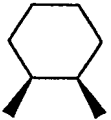
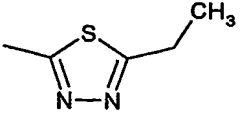
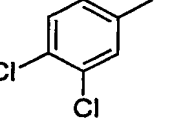

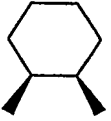
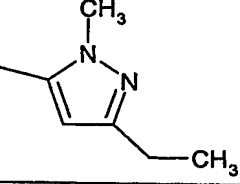
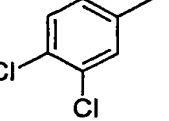


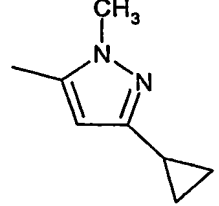
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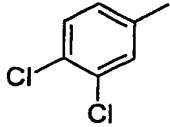

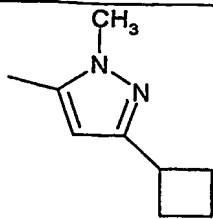
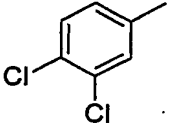

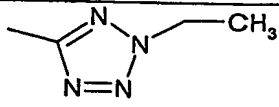
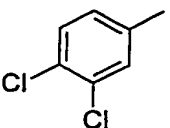
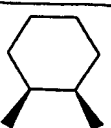
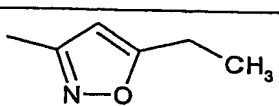
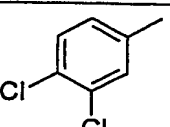
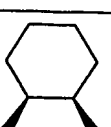
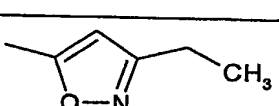
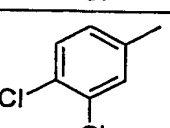
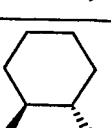
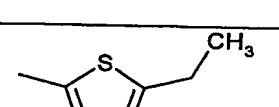
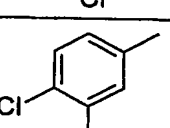
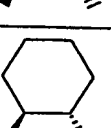
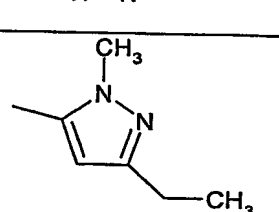
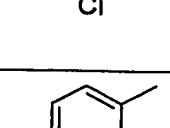

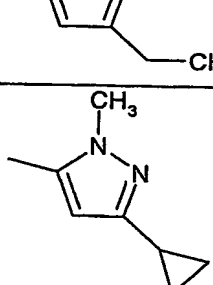
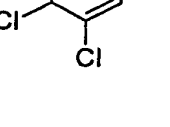
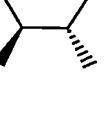
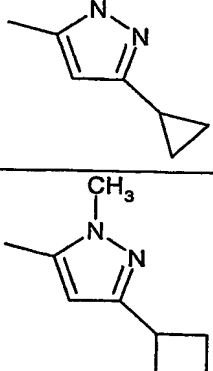
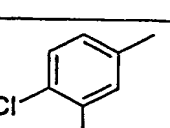
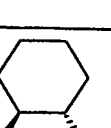
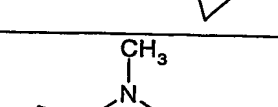
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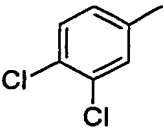

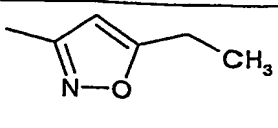
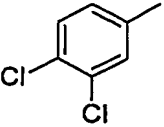

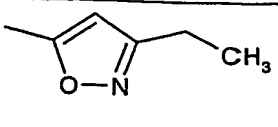
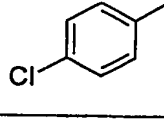

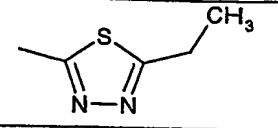
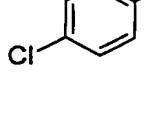
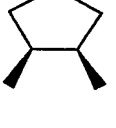
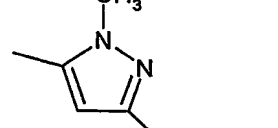
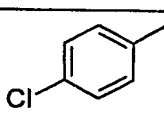
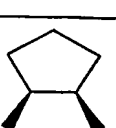
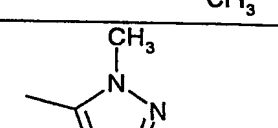
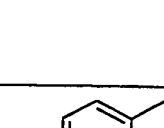

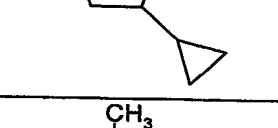
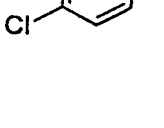
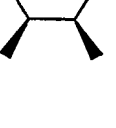
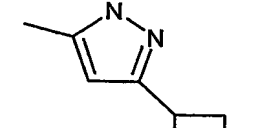
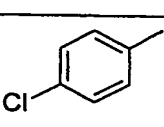
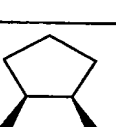
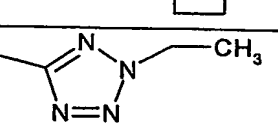
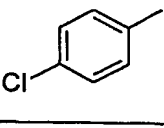
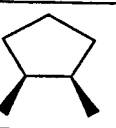
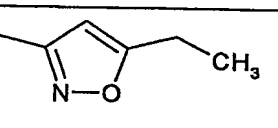
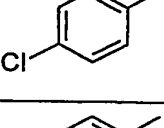
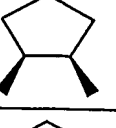
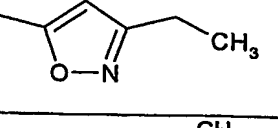
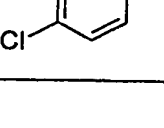
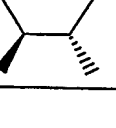
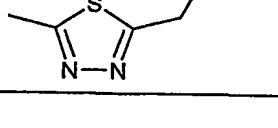
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5. A compound according to any one of the preceding claims in combination with another drug substance which is an anti-inflammatory, a bronchodilator, an antihistamine or an anti-tussive substance.

6. A compound according to any one of the preceding claims for use as a pharmaceutical.

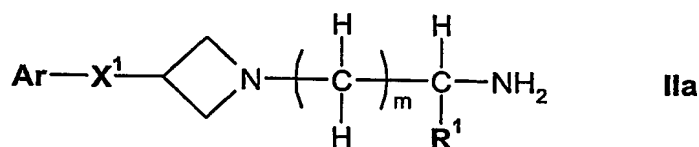
7. A pharmaceutical composition comprising as active ingredient a compound according to any one of claims 1 to 4.

8. The use of a compound according to any one of claims 1 to 4 for the manufacture of a medicament for the treatment of a condition mediated by CCR-3.

9. The use of a compound according to any one of claims 1 to 4 for the manufacture of a medicament for the treatment of an inflammatory or allergic condition, particularly an inflammatory or obstructive airways disease.

10. A process for the preparation of a compound of formula Ia or Ib as claimed in claim 1 which comprises

- (i) (A) for the preparation of compounds of formula Ia where  $R^2$  is hydrogen, reacting a compound of formula IIa

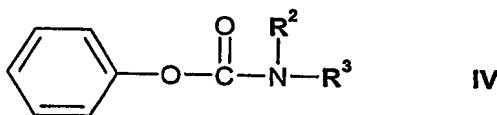


or a protected form thereof, where Ar,  $\text{X}^1$ , m and  $\text{R}^1$  are as defined in claim 1, with a compound of formula III



where Y and  $\text{R}^3$  are as defined in claim 1; or

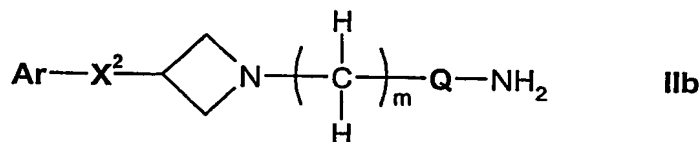
- (B) for the preparation of compounds of formula Ia where Y is oxygen, reacting a compound of formula IIa where Ar,  $\text{X}^1$ , m and  $\text{R}^1$  are as defined in claim 1, with a compound of formula IV



where  $\text{R}^2$  and  $\text{R}^3$  are as defined in claim 1; or

- (C) for the preparation of compounds of formula Ia where  $\text{X}^1$  is  $-\text{S}(=\text{O})_2-$ , oxidising a compound of formula Ia in protected form where  $\text{X}^1$  is  $-\text{S}-$  and Ar, m,  $\text{R}^1$ , Y,  $\text{R}^2$  and  $\text{R}^3$  are as defined in claim 1;

- (D) for the preparation of compounds of formula Ib, reacting a compound of formula IIb



where Ar, X<sup>2</sup>, m and Q are as defined in claim 1, with a compound of formula IV where R<sup>2</sup> and R<sup>3</sup> are as defined in claim 1;

(E) for the preparation of compounds of formula Ib where R<sup>2</sup> is hydrogen, reacting a compound of formula IIb where Ar, X<sup>2</sup>, m and Q are as defined in claim 1, with a compound of formula V



where R<sup>3</sup> is as defined in claim 1; or

(F) for the preparation of compounds of formula Ib where X is -S(=O)<sub>2</sub>-, oxidising a compound of formula Ib in protected form where X<sup>2</sup> is -S- and Ar, m, Q, R<sup>2</sup> and R<sup>3</sup> are as defined in claim 1; and

(ii) recovering the product in free or salt form.